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Inquiry Class For Converts

To begin at our Parish
Tuesday, June 5th
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Activity Center Library
Register by calling
the rectory, 483-3360

Just A Word ...

by Fr. Harvey

Team Personnel to Change

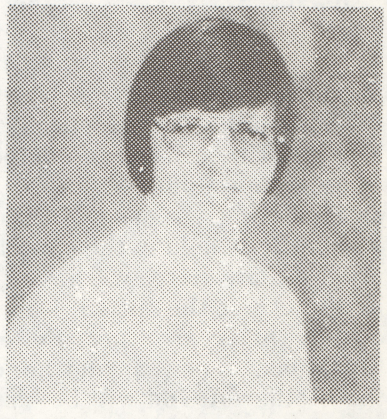
Two members of our Pastoral Team will be leaving St. John's when their present contracts expire. Sister Carol Denise Koenig, O.P. and Miss Eileen Hageman have elected to terminate their much appreciated services here beginning this summer.

A farewell reception will be hosted here at the parish on Sunday, July 8, 1979 for Sister Carol and Eileen.

Sister Carol has been a familiar face around St. John's since 1968 when she joined our high school faculty as a teaching sister. When our high school was forced to curtail operation due to deficit operational expenses, Sister Carol became involved in Pastoral Ministry within the parish itself. She was part of St. John's Pastoral Team's beginnings in 1971 and a dedicated Team member ever since. Sister Carol guided the formation of the Service Commission to its present effective status and has served as Facilitator of the Service Commission. Under her aegis, the charitable work of our St. Vincent de Paul Society was given new impetus and wider direction. She has been our direct liaison with many civic, regional and diocesan projects and works of charity in addition to her service within the parish. Two years ago, Sister was honored here on the occasion of her Silver Jubilee as a Dominican Religious. Sister Carol plans to return to the classroom - at least temporarily. The school at which she will teach is located in Chicago. We have been fortunate to contract the services of another Sister to replace Sister Carol. That announcement will be forthcoming soon.

Graduation Breakfast

All 1979 **Graduates** and their families are invited to the St. John's Graduation Breakfast next Sunday, June 3rd after the 9:00 a.m. Mass sponsored by the Activities Commission. Please call the secretary at the rectory this week for your reservations, 483-3360.



Eileen Hageman leaves our parish as Director of Religious Education, a position she has held for the past three years. Eileen has not only guided the ongoing programs of Religious Education here but has overseen the development of our Preschool program and the

initiation of our SPRED program. Eileen has also worked with our preparational program for infant Baptism as well as with adult catechisis, in the Genesis II experience and our instructions for adult converts. At the present time, Eileen has not yet settled her employment for the coming year. Negotiations for a new Director of Religious Education here are in the final stages and will be able to be announced in the near future.

We will miss both Sister Carol and Eileen and the faithful services they have rendered to us as Team Members and to the parish at large. Both are people in whom God's Spirit is truly alive and active. We are grateful to each for the many gifts they have shared so selflessly. But we are a Pilgrim Church, a church on the move. As members of that church, those engaged in full time service understand the vocation of a "pilgrim" in a radical way. We answer the call to serve in many ways at the Spirit's prompting. Leaving an assignment does not necessarily indicate dissatisfaction. Neither Sister Carol nor Eileen leave our parish because of discontent with people or dissatisfaction with their work - all rumors not withstanding. Both feel called to serve the work of a new day, a 'day' which the Lord calls his own.

I hope you will be able to join us on July 8th as we wish them "Godspeed."

Memorial Day Mass

The traditional Memorial Day Mass will be offered in our parish cemetery on Monday, May 28, 1979 at 11:00 a.m. (In case of rain, the Mass will be held in the church.) In my 11 years here, we have never had to utilize the option; I hope we do not this year either. Following the Mass, a new shrine honoring the Mother of God will be blessed. The family of Mary and Walter Zwinakas have donated a new shrine area in our cemetery and are maintaining the landscape themselves. We are grateful to them for their donation and their personal beautification to the consecrated grounds of the cemetery.

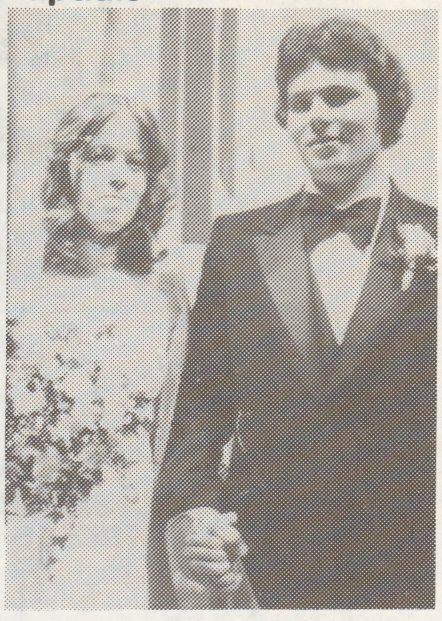
Parish Nuptials

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Maynard

Two Easter converts here solemnized their vows of sacred marriage during a Nuptial Mass celebrated by Fr. Harvey on Friday evening, May 18, 1979. Charles L. Maynard, son of James and Madene Maynard, and Connie Y. Barnes, daughter of Buford and Sammie Barnes, solemnized their covenant of love in the presence of Jerry Olson of Chicago and Vicki Dillon of Ann Arbor, their main attendants.

George Cubberly served the liturgy as guitarist and soloist; Miss Marie Stachlewitz was the organist. Janine Fidler was the lector and Jerry Olson lead the Prayer of the Faithful.

Chuck and Connie will reside in Milan and are registered as members of this parish.



Mr. and Mrs. Douglas M. Murphy

On Saturday evening, May 19, 1979, Douglas Michael Murphy and Melinda Lee Trout spoke their covenant of marriage before Fr. Harvey in our church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Trout of this parish; the bridegroom is the son of Mr. Thoma P. Murphy and Mary Louise Murphy, both of Ann Arbor. David Murphy and Pamela Trout Baughey of Shreveport, Louisiana were the main attendants.

Miss Marie Stachlewitz, organist and Ms. Cathy Chisolm, soloist provided the wedding music.

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Our happy wishes are extended to the newly-weds and we continue to pray that what God has united will not be divided!

In the Peace of Christ

Bernice M. Abeldt, age 68, died on Friday, May 18, 1979. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in our church on Monday, May 21, 1979 by Fr. Harvey. Burial followed in Udell Cemetery.

Bernice, a resident of Iron Mountain, is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Wayne (Marcella) Woodard, formerly of Ypsilanti, and her son, Elroy (Buck) of Ypsilanti Township. Grandchildren, great-grandchildren, a brother and sister also survive.

Robert P. Simon, age 58, died on Sunday, May 20, 1979 in Port Richey, Florida. Funeral services were held in the Wagner-Stark Moore Memorial Chapel on Wednesday, May 23, 1979 with Fr. Harvey officiating. Burial followed in St. John Cemetery.

Robert is survived by his wife, Maxine, 2 children and 2 step-children.

May they live in the glory of the Risen Christ!

Worth Noting

The Week at a Glance

Sunday, May 27
9:00 & 11:00 a.m. baby-sitting
9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts
Monday, May 28
11:00 a.m. Memorial Day Mass at St. John Cemetery
Tuesday, May 29
Bulletin goes to press AM
9:00 a.m. Team Liturgy Planning
7:00 p.m. Recognition Dinner for St. Vincent de Paul Committees
7:30 p.m. Liturgy Planning, Rectory
Wednesday, May 30
6:30 p.m. Bingo, Parish Hall
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Loft
Thursday, May 31
Marian Day Celebration
12:00 noon Liturgy
Leisure Club will attend Mass at noon followed by a Potluck Luncheon
3:00 p.m. Rosary
7:00 p.m. Vespers & Social (Activities Commission)
Friday, June 1
7:30 p.m. Baptism Class, Center Library
Saturday, June 2
10:00 a.m. Handbell Practice
3:30 - 4:30 Confessions heard
Sunday, June 3
9:00 a.m. Mass for Graduates followed by Breakfast served by the Activities Commission

Worship Commission News

Sister Marilyn

The Worship Commission is exploring the feasibility of having Communion under both kinds beginning in the fall. This idea has met with much discussion during our April and May monthly meetings. In order to successfully implement it, more Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist will be needed. If you may be interested or would like further clarification please call Bob Peper at 487-5413.

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Choir Party

... for all 1978-1979 members - Wednesday, June 6th at 6:30 p.m. at the Lorenz's. Please bring dish to pass.

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Marian Day

On Thursday, May 31, the Visitation of Mary, we are giving praise to the Blessed Mother in several different ways. Traditionally, May has been the month of Mary and we here at St. John's would like to set a day apart to honor her. Check the schedule below and see when you could give some time to honor this very important lady.

Mass - 12:00 noon
Rosary - 3:00 p.m.
Vespers - 7:00 p.m.
(Ice Cream Social Following)

As a facilitator of the Worship Commission I am happy to announce that at our May Commission meeting we unanimously elected Mrs. Gerry Finley as our new Worship Commission Chairperson. Gerry has been on the Commission for the past year as a Member-at-Large and has also served the parish for the past two years in the role of Lector/Commentator. As chairperson, Gerry will represent the Commission on the Parish Council as a voting member as well as work with me and the Commission in serving your needs in the area of Worship Please welcome her as our new chairperson.

At this time I would also like to publicly thank Mr. Bob Helm the out-going chairperson. I have worked with Bob for the past two years in this role. Before that Bob served on the Commission as representative for the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. Thank you, Bob, for the time and effort you have displayed over the past few years in these very important roles.

Intercessory Prayer

Our Father, you chose Mary as the fairest of your daughters. Holy Spirit, you chose her as your spouse. God the Son, you chose her as your mother. We put the United States into Mary Immaculate's hands that she may present the country to you, our God. We thank you for the great resources of this land and for the freedom which has been its heritage. Through her intercession, grant us and all nations your peace. Inspire our President and all the officials of our government to serve us with integrity. Grant us a fruitful economy born of justice and charity.

Mary, our mother and patroness of our land, we pray that we always act according to the divine will and may live and die pleasing in God's sight. Almighty Father, life is your most sacred gift. You implanted divine life in Mary and she gave birth to the Savior of the World. You share divine life with each of us and ask us to share your saving love with all we meet. May we join Mary and say "yes" to all that you call us to be and do.

May your peace and joy be upon all of us now and forever.

Praise Jesus,
David Rocha

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PRAYER FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Everloving God,

On this day we remember and honor those who have given their lives in the service of our country. You have given us this good land as our heritage. Make us always remember your generosity and constantly do your will. Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education, and an honorable way of life. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion, from pride and arrogance, and from every evil course of action. Make us who come from many nations with many different languages a united people. Defend our liberties and give those whom we have entrusted with the authority of government the Spirit of Wisdom, that there might be justice and peace in our land. When times are prosperous, let our hearts be thankful; and, in troubled times, let us hold fast to our trust in you.

Amen

(adapted from the Lutheran Book of Worship)

Mass for Handicapped

The Bishops' Mass for Handicapped Persons and Their Families will be celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral, 219 Seymour Ave., Lansing on **Saturday, June 2, 1979** at **2 p.m.** Refreshments will follow the liturgy.

The Mass will be signed for members of our deaf community. St. Mary's Cathedral is barrier-free.

Please join us! Your presence will enrich our celebration. Join in rejoicing and celebrating with those who for many years have been the bearers of the Lord's presence among us.

Readings for May 27th - June 3rd

Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11-19

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11-19

Thursday: Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56

Friday: Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25; Ez 37:1-14; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Attention - Leisure Club

On Marian Day, this Thursday, May 31st the Leisure Club will begin their day with the 12:00 noon Mass and have a potluck lunch following in the hall. There will also be some thoughts shared on Mary since this is the month dedicated to her honor. At 3:00 p.m. there will be a recitation of the Rosary in church which the members may wish to share or, they may prefer to return for the 7:00 p.m. service in church followed by an ice cream social on the lawn.

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Our last get together for this year will be on June 9th. The Leisure Club will attend the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass which will be followed by a dinner in the parish hall. Reservations must be made for the dinner. Please call Sister Carol at 483-3360 to let her know how many to expect.

St. John's Bingo
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☐Change of Address
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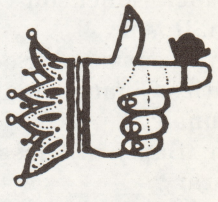

Reminders ...

- **Zone 225** invited to attend 11:00 a.m. Memorial Mass at St. John Cemetery on River St. on Monday and spend the day at 140 Valley Dr. with a picnic and games.
- **Recognition Dinner** on Tuesday, May 29th for St. Vincent de Paul Committees at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Come at 6:30 and meet other workers.
- **Marriage Encounter** is adding a June weekend to this year's schedule so make reservations early for June 22-24 by calling Rob or Margie Lemkuhl at 434-5446.
- **Memorial Day Mass** at St. John Cemetery, River St., 11:00 a.m., Monday, May 28th.

Mass Schedule

Monday, May 29 - Weekday (Memorial Day)
11:00 a.m. **(At St. John's Cemetery)** For all the Deceased Buried in St. John's Cemetery

Tuesday, May 29 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Leonard Gronic (Mo. Anniv.), req. by Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Woodside
5:30 p.m. Margaret Sutton, req. by Ed & Marge Look

Wednesday, May 30 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. John & Eva Frentner, req. by the Family
9:00 a.m. Matthew Stein, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Russell

Thursday, May 31 - Visitation of Our Lady
7:00 a.m. Margaret Sutton, req. by Clyde & Barbara Sheeks
5:30 p.m. Matthew Stein, req. by Mr. & Mrs. David Faussett

Friday, June 1 - St. Justin, Martyr
7:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Kingsley Calkins (35th Wedding Anniv.)
10:00 a.m. 11th Anniversary of Ordination, Father Harvey

Saturday, June 2 - Weekday/SS. Marcellinus & Peter
9:00 a.m. John & Genevieve Nanry, req. by Mr.xand Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Nanry
5:00 p.m. Michael Blystone, req. by Juanita
6:30 p.m. (Wedding) William Miller & Glenna Frank

Sunday, June 3 - Pentecost
7:00 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners
9:00 a.m. Martha Spayth, req. by the Jack McClure Family
11:00 a.m. James Miller, req. by The Education Commission
12:30 p.m. Tamara Easton, req. by Irene Lancour

Wedding Banns

III - William Miller and Glenna Frank

II - Michael R. Benton and Cherie E. Hagedon

I - Tony Chasser and Michelle Taylor

Financial Barometer

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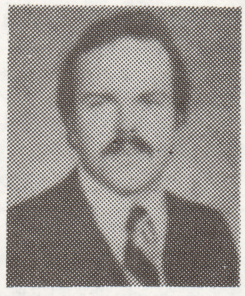
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